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second supporting walls and said striking wheel, said circular discs each having a diameter equal to that of said striking wheel so as to fill said two gaps respectively; and

a U-shaped wind shield mounted on said first and second supporting walls to cover said gas nozzle and said first and second supporting walls, said wind shield having an all around vertical U-shaped side wall which has a round end portion and two wing portion extending from said round end portion, a top wall horizontally and inwardly extending from a top side of said round end portion of said U-shaped side wall and defining a cutout right above said gas nozzle, and a first and a second L-shaped bent-edge member which are respectively and perpendicularly bent from a top side and an end side of said wing portions, wherein said first and second bent-edge members are respectively extended from said top wall along said top side and said end side of each of said wing portions for fittedly and respectively resting on a horizontal top edge and a vertical rear edge of each of said first and second supporting walls, a top end corner of each of said wing portions forming a curved corner which has a curvature matching with at least a quarter of a circumference of said striking wheel, so that said striking wheel is sidewardly covered by said two wing portions of said windshield.

A disposable lighter, as recited in claim 28, wherein a radius of said striking wheel is equal to a radius of said curved comer of each of said wing portions of said wind shield.

A disposable lighter, as recited in claim. 28, wherein a radius of said striking wheel is slightly smaller than a radius of said curved corner of each of said wing portions of said wind shield.

REMARKS-General

1. The newly drafted independent claims 19 incorporates all structural limitations of the original claim 1 and includes further limitations previously brought forth in the original dependent claims 2 and 3. Another newly drafted independent claim 28 incorporates all structural limitations of the original claim 1 and includes further limitation previously brought forth in the original dependent claim 6. The original claims 1-1, 7-8 and 13-14 are deleted. The other allowable objected claims 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, and 17 are rewritten as 20 to 27 depending base on the newly drafted independent claim 19, and the allowable objected original claims 12 and 18 are rewritten as 29 and 30 depending base on the newly drafted independent claim 28. No new



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matter has been included. All new claims 19 to 30 are submitted to be of sufficient clarity and detail to enable a person of average skill in the art to make and use the instant invention, so as to be pursuant to 35 USC 112.

Response to Rejection of Claims 1-2, 7-8, and 13-14 under 35USC103

- 2. The rejected claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 13, and 14 are all deleted.
- 3. All the allowable original claims 3-6, 9-12 and 15-18 are rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The Cited but Non-Applied References

- 4. The cited but not relied upon references have been studied and are greatly appreciated, but are deemed to be less relevant than the relied upon references.
- 5. In view of the above, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection are requested. Allowance of claims 19 to 30 at an early date is solicited.

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